Drugs under category

1463. SHRI JASWANT SINGH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 392 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 24th August, 1987 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Ministry of Health & Family Welfare recommended the list of drugs on 31st July, 1987 for inclusion under category I of DPCO, 1987;

(b) if so, names of the programmes along with the names of drugs and vaccines recommended for inclusion;

(c) whether it is a fact that his Ministry did not include all the drugs and vaccines;

(d) if so, names of drugs and vaccines which have not been included in category I along with reasons therefor in each case:

(e) whether it is a fact that the terms of reference of the Kelkar Committee was to identify category II drugs;

(f) if so, whether it is also a fact that Kelkar Committee not only deliberated on category I drugs and vaccines but made recommendations; and

(g) if so names of category I drugs which Ministry of Health and Family Welfare recommended for inclusion and Kelkar Committee recommended for decontrol?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (d) Schedule I to the DPCO, 1987 which was laid on the Table of the House is based on drugs required by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for National Health Programme.

(e) Yes, Sir.

(f) and (g) Kelkar Committee was not aware of the drugs to be included in Category I at the time of recommending the drugs to be included in Category II. Therefore, some of the drugs recommended by the committee for Category II were deleted from the list of such drugs because the same were included in Category I. All sera and vaccines except Hepatitis-B Vaccine have been exempted from price control as per recommendation of the Kelkar Committee.

List of drugs for inclusion in category

1464. SHRI JASWANT SINGH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare sent the list of drugs for inclusion in category I on 31st July, 1987;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare recommended 35 drugs and vaccines for inclusion under category I;

(c) whether it is a fact that as per December, 1986 measures category I list would cover drugs and vaccines recommended by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the 1986 measures had the approval of the Cabinet;

(e) if so, why only 26 drugs have been covered under category I;

(f) what are the reasons for non-inclusion of the remaining drugs and vaccines;;

(g) whether it is also a fact that the manufacturers of non-included products have increased the prices substantially; and

(h) if so, what was the earlier price, increased price and percentage change in each case?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (c), (e) and (f) Drugs required by the Ministry of Health for the National Health Programme have been

included in Schedule I to the DPCO, 1987. Vaccines have been exempted from price control as per the recommendations of the Kelkar Committee.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(g) and (h) Manufacturers of non-scheduled formulations are free to fix the prices as per DPCO 1987. However, Government intervenes wherever it is considered necessary to do so. The number of non-scheduled formulations being marketed in the country is very large and it is not possible to give details of prices for each of these formulations.

Prices of Raricap, Autrin, Livogen, Fefol and Demasules

1465. SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATRAJAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2699 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st March, 1988 and state:

(a) what was the price of Raricap, Autrin, Livogen, Fefol and Demasules before the announcement of DPCO, 1987 and what is the price as on 31st March, 1988 along with the percentage increase or decrease in each case along with the name of manufacturer of each medicine;

(b) what are the names of bulk drugs from which each medicine is produced and many of them are covered under Schedule II of DPCO, 1987;

(c) whether these drugs are produced in the country;

(d) if so, the names of producers of each drug, licensed capacity; production during the last three years, year-wise of each producer of each drug;

(e) whether his Ministry has received categorisation of each medicine as required under guidelines from the manufacturers; and

(f) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, what action is being taken?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a), (e) and (f) As per provisions of Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987 and guidelines issued thereunder, all five formulations referred to in the question are under price control.

(b) The required details, to the extent available, are given in the enclosed statement—I (*See* below)

(c) and (d) Information, to the extent available, is given in the enclosed Statement-II (*See* below)

Statement—I

Sl. No.	Name of the bulk drug / Name of the Manufacturer	A/c Unit	Production 1983-84	1984-85	1986-87
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	*VITAMIN 'A'*	MMU			
	(i) Glaxo Labs.		19.51	16 56	16 39
	(ii) Roche Products		40.73	37.60	29.33
	(iii) Kerala State Drug		1.00	6.42	16.32
	TOTAL		61.24	60.58	61 04